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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-104401)

FROM : *Jm* SAC, SAN ANTONIO (100-9455)

SUBJECT: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
INFORMATION CONCERNING
(INTERNAL SECURITY)

DATE: 4/8/64

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ReBulet dated 4/7/64, which referred
to San Antonio airtel dated 3/30/64, captioned
as above, which was shown to have a pending
status.

Referenced San Antonio communication
should have been marked closed instead of pending,
and has been closed in this office.

Bureau is requested to correct Bureau
copies of this airtel.

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Memorandum

TO : The Director

DATE: 4-13-64

FROM : N. P. Callahan

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

Pages A1732-A1734. Congressman Harding, (D) Idaho, extended his remarks concerning John Birch Society activities in Idaho. He included two editorials from the Idaho Evening Statesman and several "Letters to the Editor" with his remarks. Mr. Harding pointed out that "my attempts to warn Idahoans of this extremist group had been ridiculed by the editorial and political writers of Idaho's largest paper until Wednesday, April 1." The April 1st editorial "The Extremists Speak" reversed an earlier editorial and came out in opposition to the John Birch Society. This editorial stated "The avowed purpose of any group to fight communism within the United States is laudable, but only when the fight waged is honest and judiciously waged. The Federal Bureau of Investigation is the responsible, trained agency in this country to so wage the fight—not the John Birch Society - - -." In a letter to the editor from Mary Jane Root, reference is made to the April 1st editorial. Miss Root comments on remarks of former Congressman Rousselot on the civil rights bill. She states "Talks which I have heard by refugees from enslaved countries, as well as talks given by ex-FBI agents on the same subject, corroborate what Mr. Rousselot said about the civil right's bill's being used as a tool by the Communist conspiracy to divide and conquer us. You referred to the FBI yourself as an authority, and Mr. Rousselot quoted J. Edgar Hoover, head of the FBI, in the documentation which he gave."

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In the original of a memorandum captioned and dated as above, the Congressional Record for 4-10-64 was reviewed and pertinent items were marked for the Director's attention. This form has been prepared in order that the original memorandum may be clipped, mounted, and placed in appropriate Bureau case or subject matter files.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : The Director

DATE: 4-21-64

FROM : N. P. Callahan

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

Page 8207. Senator Church, (D) Idaho, spoke concerning the activities of the John Birch Society in Boise, Idaho. He stated "A chief spokesman of the Birch Society recently invaded the valley to spread their customary smear regarding the pending civil rights measure. The Idaho Daily Statesman rose to the occasion: In an editorial sparkling with the independence of the Western spirit, it debunked the fear-mongering, malignant methods of the society and its leaders." Mr. Church included the newspaper editorial with his remarks. The editorial, in commenting on the war against communism, stated "The Federal Bureau of Investigation is the responsible, trained agency in this country to so wage the fight—not the John Birch Society, which sees a Communist under 'every bed' of political activity in our realm, which splits religious groups, which divides good citizens—those who agree with Birchism and those who do not, with the latter tabbed as 'pinko' or 'red.'"

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: 4-15-64

FROM : D. C. Morrell

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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DATE 7-18-82 BY SP4 [REDACTED]

By letter dated 3-31-64 captioned individual wrote the Director and requested information on how she might obtain permission to have printed copies of your reports and excerpts from "Masters of Deceit?" She further requested a list of extreme right-wing groups. The Chicago Division advised that one [REDACTED] resides at [REDACTED] and has a second listing reflecting he is an attorney with offices at [REDACTED] Chicago indices reflect [REDACTED] appeared at the Chicago Office on 2-26-63 and stated he had become extremely interested in communist activities and has read many books on the subject including those written by the Director. He stated he felt as an American citizen he would like to help fight communism and his purpose in going to the Chicago Office was to offer his services.

[REDACTED] advised he was primarily concerned with the large number of groups and organizations which he described as having communistic tendencies in the North Shore area near Chicago. He identified one of these groups as the Human Relations Committee in Glenview. He stated that the Committee had caused a controversy by claiming a real estate "conspiracy" was discriminating against "Jews" buying homes in Glenview. It was his opinion that this Committee might have a subversive element in its membership based on the above.

On reinterview [REDACTED] reiterated the above claim and expressed a view that organizations like the John Birch Society were doing a good job. He stated he felt that although he was sympathetic he could not join such organizations without endangering his family and future. It is the opinion of the interviewing Agents that [REDACTED] had strong leanings toward the John Birch Society.

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Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach
RE: Mrs. [REDACTED]

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In her letter to the Director, captioned individual made reference to a publication known as "The Wanderer." Chicago indices reflect that a publication known as "The Wanderer" is printed by the Wanderer Printing Company, 128 East 10th Street, St. Paul 1, Minnesota. A copy of this publication dated 10-19-61 was reviewed and found to contain a number of articles opposing communism.

OBSERVATION:

It appears from the above that captioned individual and her husband are at least sympathetic to the views of the John Birch Society and the possibility exists that should permission be given to reprint the Director's articles or portions of his books, such reprint material might be used in such a manner as to indicate that the Director supports the views of the John Birch Society or its membership.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the enclosed letter over Miss Gandy's signature declining permission for captioned individual to reprint the Director's materials be sent.

JB *SAW* ✓ *V.*

THE DIRECTOR

April 17, 1964

N. P. CALLAHAN

THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

The Congressional Record for Thursday, April 16, 1964, has been reviewed and the following items contained therein have been noted for your attention.

HOUSE

Page 7889. Congressman Waggoner, (D) Louisiana, spoke concerning an article written by Joseph Alsop entitled "An Unhappy Secret" which appeared in the Washington Post on April 15, 1964. Mr. Waggoner stated "In it, he finally admits what many of us have been saying for months and years: that Communists have infiltrated the so-called civil rights movement. He hastens to say that anyone who said so prior to yesterday's Post is a racist, but from yesterday on, it is okay to admit that Communists are in control because he, Alsop, now admits that they are." The text of the article was set forth in the Record.

Adjournment: Until Monday, April 20, 1964, at 12 noon.

SENATE

Pages 7898 - 7899. Senator Kuchel, (R) California, spoke concerning the John Birch Society. He included an article from the Washington Daily News of April 15, 1964, entitled "Birch Bark" written by George Clifford and Tom Kelly, and an editorial from the March 8, 1964, issue of the Fargo (North Dakota) Forum captioned "Birchists Crawl Into Holes; Let's Hope They Stay There." Mr. Kuchel pointed out that this article and editorial "show how low, how vile, how cruel, and how false these extremists are."

The Senate continued debate on H. R. 7152, the proposed Civil Rights Act. Pages 7963 - 7968 contain the remarks of Senator Smathers, (D) Florida,

- 1 - Mr. Tolson - with enclosure
- 1 - Mr. Belmont - with enclosure
- 1 - Mr. Mohr - with enclosure
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach - with enclosure
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan - with enclosure
- 1 - Mr. Rosen - with enclosure
- 1 - Mr. D. C. Morrell - with enclosure

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Date: 4/24/64

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Mr. Tolson	_____
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Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. DeLoach	✓
Mr. Evans	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
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Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (80-38B)
 RE :

"Sacramento Union"
 Sacramento, California
 RESEARCH
 (CORRESPONDENCE AND TOURS)

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Re Bureau letter to of San Francisco dated 4/20/64, copy of which was furnished this office with instructions that be contacted and information in his possession be submitted to Bureau in LHM to reach Bureau 4/27/64.

could not be contacted until 4/24/64. Information furnished will be forwarded to Bureau 4/27/64.

3 - Bureau
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Approved: [Signature]
 6 4 MAY 8 1964 Special Agent in Charge

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Date: 4/27/64

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ATTENTION: RESEARCH (CORRESPONDENCE AND TOURS)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (80-385B)(C)

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

The Sacramento Union
1910 Capitol Avenue
Sacramento, California, 95812ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 1-13-86 BY SP4 [REDACTED]

John Birch Society

Re Bureau letter to Mr. [REDACTED] 4/20/64, with which
San Francisco was furnished copy of [REDACTED] letter of 4/10/64,
and my airtel to Bureau, 4/24/64.Attached is letterhead memorandum reflecting results
of contact with [REDACTED] by SA CHARLES F. BRUSCH on
4/24/64. For the information of the Bureau the source of the
information concerning the meeting in Texas is [REDACTED]b6
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claimed to have learned of this meeting from [REDACTED]
whom [REDACTED] described as a wealthy [REDACTED]
and a "far-rightist" formerly
"involved in the McCarthy situation, and on the same pitch
ever since."Mr. [REDACTED] was informed of the Bureau's policies and
procedures as set forth on the footnote on the San Francisco
copy, Bureau letter to him dated 4/20/64.

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Approved: [Signature] Special Agent in Charge

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MEMO - BAUMGARDNER TO - SAC, SAN FRANCISCO
5/4/64 CAPTIONED JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY, ENCL. CONCERNING

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 5/4/64

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner *FJB*

SUBJECT: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
INFORMATION CONCERNING
(INTERNAL SECURITY)

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- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
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By letter dated 4/10/64 [redacted] "The Sacramento Union," 1910 Capitol Avenue, Sacramento, California, expressed alarm about the progress of the John Birch Society (JBS) in influencing citizens under the possible guise of a conservative movement. [redacted] believes the time has come when the Bureau might have a basis broad enough to investigate this "dangerous plot." He offered to furnish the Bureau data in his possession. He noted that if this matter is outside the Bureau's jurisdiction, he understands our position. [redacted] is on the Special Correspondents' List and has been a strong supporter of the Bureau.

[redacted] was advised a representative from our San Francisco Office would contact him and San Francisco was instructed to immediately contact him for any information he desired to volunteer and to take care not to indicate the FBI is investigating the JBS. [redacted] was interviewed and repeated substantially the same information as set out in his letter 4/10/64; alleged JBS while claiming to be conservative is actually designed to effect a radical change in our philosophy in Government; and stated the JBS operates as an autocratic group with leaders chosen from the top and those who don't agree with its leader, Robert Welch, are forced out of the Society. He discussed various activities of the Society in attempting to show that the organization and its activities should be investigated.

[redacted] expressed the hope the activities of JBS could be completely investigated by the FBI. [redacted] was advised the FBI is strictly an investigative agency, its not an FBI function to evaluate information regarding organizations and such information is furnished to the Department of Justice for consideration.

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We have never investigated JBS but any information received deemed to be pertinent or of interest to the Department has been disseminated to the Department. In the past, the Department has advised that in the absence of information indicating the activities of JBS are in violation of any Federal statutes over which the Bureau has investigative jurisdiction an investigation of JBS was not desired.

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Memorandum to Mr. W. C. Sullivan
RE: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY

ACTION:

A copy of San Francisco's memorandum of 4/27/64 setting forth results of interview of [] has been furnished the Internal Security Division of the Department.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

San Francisco, California

April 27, 1964

JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY

JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY

[redacted] The Sacramento Union (daily newspaper in Sacramento), 1910 Capitol Avenue, Sacramento, desired to furnish the following information and observations as possibly being indicative of the danger to our present form of government from the John Birch Society.

[redacted] stated that this society is capable of misleading decent conservative Americans into believing that it is conservative, whereas this society is actually designed to effect a radical change in our philosophy in government.

[redacted] noted that the Birch Society operates as an autocratic group with leaders and policies selected and promulgated from the top and without regard for the wishes of the membership. Members are allegedly not allowed to repudiate statements expressed by ROBERT WELCH and if they do not indicate full accord with his pronouncements, they are forced out of the society. *Texas*

[redacted] claims that [redacted] a representative of the John Birch Society, admitted in Sacramento that this was the case. *Calif.*

[redacted] in a talk in Sacramento, also said that disarmament was a "KENNEDY plot" and that in keeping with a "3 step KRUSCHEV plan" at the time the third step was reached in disarmament, the United Nations would have control of the only armed forces in the world. [redacted] continued by alleging that the United Nations was definitely a captive of the Communists.

[redacted] reported that the Anti-Defamation League had reportedly quoted ROBERT WELCH as stating that the John Birch Society is currently operating on a budget of \$2,000,000 per year and has doubled its number of full time paid organizers. [redacted] noted that this alleged budget figure probably did not include the sponsors of such radio and television programs as that run by DAN SMOOT and others of this type.

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[] said that he had information from a source that he did not wish to identify, to the effect that an acquaintance of ROBERT WELCH, DAN SMOOT, and [] had claimed that he had, approximately three years ago, attended a conference at SMOOT'S place in Texas when WELCH, [] and [] were also in attendance. The main topic for this conference was alleged to be a discussion of whether the John Birch Society would continue its activities as a third party or if they should select a new course within the framework of the Republican Party. It was allegedly decided that they should devote all of their efforts toward capture of the Republican Party. This same source further said that Birch sympathizers were instructed to vote for BROWN for Governor of California, to prevent a Republican moderate such as NIXON from getting this post.

[] noted that the Birch Society "plays the Communist game either intentionally or otherwise" by sowing distrust of national leaders with its ridiculous claims that many of them are pro-Communist.

[] speculated upon the possibility that the Birch Society could even be a "Communist front," and he noted the similarity of organization with cells or groups not knowing the identity of members in other cells, with leaders chosen from above and not by the membership, with policy set by the leadership and no chance of choice or opposition by the membership, with disbursement of funds also determined by the leadership. [] noted that the above similarities are in addition to the undermining of faith in our democratic processes, our foreign relations, and our handling of domestic problems.

[] stated that he was particularly disturbed to note the influence wielded by the John Birch Society as disclosed by an experience reported in the Ladies Home Journal of April, 1964. This magazine ran a story in a prior issue. WELCH in his Birch Society Bulletin allegedly was highly critical of the story. Thereafter, the Ladies Home Journal reported that it received a flood of letters which were analyzed in an article in the April issue. This analysis noted that many of the letter writers admitted that they had not even read the story in the prior issue, however, they frequently used quotations from WELCH'S criticism of the story and were almost all highly critical of the magazine for running

JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY

the story. [] expressed the opinion that it is time to be concerned about the power of a group, such as the Birch Society, when it can arouse such a volume of pressure mail to a publication over such an insignificant matter as this. He felt that it was safe to assume that the pressure that would be exerted in a more important set of circumstances would be much greater.

[] said he was submitting the above data and observations with the hope that the activities of the John Birch Society could be completely investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation as a threat to overthrow our present form of government.

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Date: 5/18/64

Transmit the following in PLAIN
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-104401)
 FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-144597)
 SUBJECT: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
 INFORMATION CONCERNING

ReNYtel to Bureau, 5/16/64.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of letterhead memorandum reflecting contact with Bureau of Special Services (BSS), NYCPD, on 5/16/64.

Information obtained furnished by Detective [redacted]
 to SA [redacted] of the NYO on the date indicated.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

New York, New York
May 18, 1964

Bufile 62-104401
NY file 100-144597

John Birch Society

On May 16, 1964, Detective [redacted] Bureau of Special Services (BSS), New York City Police Department (NYCPD), advised that on that date, approximately one hundred individuals, identified by representatives of BSS to be members of the John Birch Society, picketed the NYCPD headquarters, 240 Centre Street, Manhattan, New York. The demonstration lasted for one hour, beginning at 3:30 PM and terminating at 4:30 PM. Detective [redacted] advised that no reason is yet known why picketing took place but from signs and placards carried by pickets, it appeared that members of Society were pro-Police Department. One sign stated "men in blue are fine" and none of other signs were critical of Police Department.

The pickets peacefully dispersed with no incidents or arrests.

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Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. Belmont ✓
Mr. Mohr ✓
Mr. Casper ✓
Mr. Callahan ✓
Mr. Conrad ✓
Mr. DeLoach ✓
Mr. Evans ✓
Mr. Gale ✓
Mr. Rosen ✓
Mr. Sullivan ✓
Mr. Tavel ✓
Mr. Trotter ✓
Tele. Room
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

FBI NEW YORK

8-42 PM URGENT 5-16-64 JCM

TO DIRECTOR -9- 62-104401

FROM NEW YORK 100-144597 1 P

JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY- INFO CONCERNING

A REPRESENTATIVE OF BUREAU OF SPECIAL SERVICES PAREN BSS PAREN
NYCPD ADVISED THAT FROM THREE THIRTY TO FOUR THIRTY PM INSTANT DATE
APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED PERSONS, IDENTIFIED BY BSS TO BE MEMBER
OF OF JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY, PICKETED NYCPD HQ TWO FOUR ZERO CENTER
STREET, NYC. PLACARDS CARRIED BY MEMBERS REFLECTED SOCIETY PRO- NYCPD
AND ONE SIGN STATED QUOTE MEN IN BLUE ARE FINE UNQUOTE. NO REASON
KNOWN WHY PICKETING TOOK PLACE. PICKETS
PEACEFULLY ~~DISBURSED~~ ^{DISPERSED} WITH NO INCIDENTS OR ARRESTS. DEMONSTRATION
GIVEN LOCAL PD COVERAGE.

LHM FOLLOWS.

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CC-MR. SULLIVAN

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MR. BELMONT FOR THE DIRECTOR

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: 3:

DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 6/9/64

FROM: 4

SAC, BUFFALO (100-17508) (C)

SUBJECT: 7

JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
IS - MISCELLANEOUS

Re SAC lets 59-13(F) and 60-5(C), and mylet,
8/31/62.

The aforementioned SAC lets instructed that the Bureau be advised of the formation of a branch of the John Birch Society in a field division and instructed that no active investigation of this group be conducted:

On 4/29/64, [redacted] (protect with T symbol), an employee of [redacted] residence telephone [redacted] business telephone [redacted] called at the Buffalo Office and was interviewed by SA BIRL WILSON.

He advised that during the lunch hour he was in the vicinity of the U.S. Court House during the picket demonstrations against the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA) being carried on by various groups.

[redacted] Buffalo, New York, approached him, criticized the demonstrators, and said "This is why I joined the John Birch Society." [redacted] then gave [redacted] some literature to read and asked him if he would like to attend a meeting of the John Birch Society "to see what it is all about." [redacted] indicated mild interest whereupon [redacted] said he would call [redacted] the next time a meeting was scheduled. [redacted] said that 15 people in the organization meet once a month at different homes.

[redacted] said that [redacted] the Buffalo Bills Booster Club and that [redacted] is a member of the Club. [redacted] mentioned that he felt [redacted] could bring in a lot of other people into the John Birch Society who are affiliated with the Booster Club.

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[redacted] advised that he and [redacted] grew up in the [redacted] but he has never been closely associated with [redacted] He does not know where [redacted] is employed or anything about his activities. He described [redacted] as follows:

Name	[redacted]
Age	About 35-40
Height	5'7"
Weight	145 pounds
Build	Slight
Hair	Brown, graying
Eyes	Brown
Marital Status	Single
Education	Possibly high school graduate

[redacted] turned over the following literature given him by [redacted]

"The Dan Smoot Report," 4/6/64, issue.

Poem dated 4/4/64, "The Strange Tale on Cuba," "Or How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Trust the State Department" by HARLAN RUPP, JR., Box 114, Hamburg, New York

Four small stickers captioned "Don't Worry, U.N. Troops Kill Peacefully"

[redacted] advised that out of curiosity he was planning to attend a meeting of the John Birch Society if invited to do so and would report results to the Buffalo Office. [redacted] expressed himself as being a very patriotic person, but stated he is opposed to ultra-right organizations such as the John Birch Society as much as he is opposed to Communism and other isms.

Buffalo files reveal that one [redacted] signed a nominating petition of the Independent-Socialist Party in 1958. It is not known if he is identical with the [redacted] mentioned above.

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According to Buffalo files, [redacted] [redacted] reportedly was a member of the John Birch Society in 1962.

On 5/19/64, Mr. [redacted] telephonically advised SA [redacted] that on that date he was telephonically contacted by [redacted] who invited Mr. [redacted] to attend a meeting of the John Birch Society [redacted] at 8:00 p.m. in a [redacted]

[redacted] New York, at which meeting a filmed speech by ROBERT WELCH, head of the John Birch Society was to be shown. Also to appear on the program were [redacted] each of whom according to [redacted] of the John Birch Society. [redacted] said that he was planning to attend the meeting and would furnish any pertinent information obtained to the Buffalo Office.

On 6/2/64, Mr. [redacted] advised SA WILSON that he attended the aforementioned meeting which started at 8:45 p.m. and terminated at 11:30 p.m.. Following the meeting several of those in attendance had refreshments at [redacted] New York. [redacted] The scheduled filmed talk of ROBERT WELCH was not given. Two 15-minute filmed talks by DAN SMOOT were shown. [redacted] the movie projector. The talks by SMOOT were a condensation of "The Dan Smoot Report" and during his talk SMOOT read frequently from the report. He spoke of the Yalta doublecross and the U.S. Department of State policy with regard to Viet Nam.

Following the films there was a question and answer period, most of the questions being asked by [redacted] [redacted] learned that [redacted] of the John Birch Society and travels about Western New York in a Volkswagon automobile giving talks and selling John Birch Society literature and records from a mobile library. [redacted] said that the John Birch Society wants only eight or ten persons in the club as a security measure to prevent infiltration. He mentioned that the Society has many groups located throughout the U.S. Membership dues are \$24.00 per year and life memberships are also available. Funds for this organization are raised by the sale of literature and donations. It was mentioned that

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[redacted] in the
area for the John Birch Society.

[redacted] following the meeting mentioned
to [redacted]
In view of this [redacted]
[redacted] place of the John Birch Society group.
[redacted] that the next meeting would be held
[redacted] but did not mention the meeting place. He also
mentioned that 400 persons attended the last meeting. However,
[redacted] believes this is probably an exaggeration in view
of the fact that attendance at the above meeting was small.

Following the discussion, [redacted] made available
John Birch Society literature for sale. Mr. [redacted]
purchased a paperback book captioned "None Dare Call it
Treason" for 75 cents. [redacted] gave him a copy
of the John Birch Society Blue Book. Mrs. [redacted]
furnished him several past issues of the Dan Smoot Report
and other literature.

He advised that the following were in attendance:


Name	MARV OAKES
Age	Approximately 70
Race	White
Height	5'4"
Weight	125-130 pounds
Hair	Gray
Complexion	Fair
Build	Slender
Occupation	Retired
Name	[redacted]
Residence	Syracuse, New York
Age	Early 30's
Race	White
Height	5'10"
Weight	185 pounds
Build	Heavy
Hair	Brown

Name [redacted]
(description set forth
previously)


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Name
Race
Age
Height
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Characteristics


White
Late 30's
5'9"
185 pounds
Heavy
Light brown
Wears glasses


Name
Race
Age
Height
Weight
Hair
Build


White
Late 40's
5'9"
165 pounds
Gray
Thin


Name
Race
Age
Height
Weight
Build
Complexion


White
Late 30's
5'4"
135 pounds
Stocky
Light, fairly attractive


Name
Age
Race
Height
Weight
Build
Hair
Characteristics


Late 30's
White
5'8"
180 pounds
Stocky
Dark, balding
Wears glasses

Name
Age
Race
Height
Weight
Hair
Build


Early 40's
White
6'
200 pounds
Gray
Heavy

Legion.

 claimed to be affiliated with the American

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Name
Age
Height
Weight
Hair
Complexion
Race

[redacted]
Early 30's
5'8"
160-165 pounds
Black
Dark
Probably Indian

Name
Age
Height
Weight
Build
Occupation

Unidentified male
40's
5'8"
150 pounds
Medium
[redacted]

New York

[redacted] advised that following the meeting he engaged in conversation with [redacted] and Mrs. [redacted] and from remarks made it appears to him that they are [redacted]

[redacted] stated that he does not plan to attend the [redacted] meeting of the John Birch Society. However, should he attend any further meetings he will notify this Office.

Buffalo indices contain no identifiable information concerning [redacted]

[redacted] or variations of the names. [redacted] has previously been identified as being affiliated with the John Birch Society locally.

[redacted] is believed to be identical with [redacted] who in September, 1962, was [redacted] of the United Anti-Communist Action Committee of Buffalo. According to records of the Buffalo Office, Mr. and Mrs. [redacted] as of 4/15/63, were officers of the Conservative Council of the Niagara Frontier handling publicity and program. It is noted that, according to relet, 8/31/62, [redacted] advised that "The Conservative Club" is actually a local branch of the John Birch Society.

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According to an article which appeared in the 10/23/63 "Buffalo Courier Express," 4-Star Edition, Mrs. [redacted] Buffalo, and a Mrs. [redacted] along with others picketed a flag raising ceremony at Niagara Square, Buffalo, New York, 10/22/63, in commemoration of the 18th anniversary of the United Nations. Mrs. [redacted] said that the women who picketed were in sympathy with the U.S. Day Committee of Tulsa, Oklahoma. She said that 10/22/63, was U.S. Day and that the following Thursday was United Nations Day. According to the article, the U.S. Day Committee is opposed to the United Nations.

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Informants and sources have not reported any interest on the part of subversive groups in the Buffalo area in connection with the John Birch Society.

No active investigation has been conducted regarding the John Birch Society and this case is being carried in a closed status. Any information obtained by [redacted] and given this Office will be furnished the Bureau.

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One copy of this communication has been designated for Albany as it contains information of interest to that Office.

Note: Print names legibly; handwriting satisfactory for remainder.

Subject's name and aliases JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY		Address of subject Harlingen, Texas		Character of case Info Concerning	
Complainant Mrs. [REDACTED]		Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date 2/28/63 Time 1131 a			
Subject's Description	Race W	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height	Hair	Build
	Age		Weight	Eyes	Complexion
	Scars, marks or other data				
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Fact of complaint

Mrs. [REDACTED] described [REDACTED] at Harlingen for the Caller-Times of Corpus Christi. She said that she had hear-day reports of Anti-Semitic literature being put out in the Rio Grande Valley. She stated that some lecturer, who had been in a Russian concentration camp had been introduced into one of the Valley schools; and she said she understood that this lecturer had been brought into the Valley by a John Birch or other "study group".

Mrs. [REDACTED] was thanked for her call and was courteously advised that the FBI can furnish no information to the public. She was asked, if she found in her general newspaper inquiries, anything which she felt should be known to the Government, she would call the FBI and make it available. [REDACTED] said she would.

[REDACTED] gave the impression that she did not know what she was talking about; and was fishing expedition.

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SAC, SAN ANTONIO (100-7135)

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SA JOHN M. KEMMY

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On 10/21/63, [redacted] furnished the writer an oral report which was subsequently transcribed and thereafter acknowledged by Informant on 10/24/63. This report is located in [redacted] and contains the following information: (X)

On October 20, 1963, a meeting of the Young Democrats of Bexar County was held at the Guntor Hotel in San Antonio, Texas. The purpose of this meeting was to hear a man named BOB MOORE speak concerning the John Birch Society and also to listen to another speaker give opposing views. There were about seven members of the Young Democrat group present and about 70 other individuals who appeared to be favorable to MOORE's side of the argument. (X)

MOORE said that he was President of the John Birch Society in San Antonio and that he was a retired sergeant from some military branch of the service. His topic was "Is the John Birch Society a Threat or a Help to America," and he talked against communism. (X)

MOORE made the statement that General HESTER, connected with the Defense Department, was a communist. He also said that PIERRE SALINGER's parents were card-carrying Communist Party members. Throughout his talk he called U. S. Attorney General ROBERT KENNEDY by the name of BOOBY KENNEDY and said that the Attorney General was pro-communist and would never bring a communist to trial. MOORE also stated that the Communist Party drafted, supported, and got Senator JAVITS from New York elected. During his talk MOORE implied that if a person is not for everything the John Birch Society stands for, he is a communist. (X)

1-100-7135 (COULTER)
1-100-9455 (J. BIRCH)
1-100-8993 (T. CHEYNEY)

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TRENT CHEYNEY, a member of the Young Democrat group, was the speaker for the other side of the question. He talked on his ideas of the misconception of the John Birch Society theories, pointing out that group does not believe in a democratic form of government. During MOORE's talk he mentioned there were thousands of communists in the United States. To refute MOORE, CHEYNEY referred to FBI Director J. EDGAR HOOVER's book entitled Masters of Deceit regarding the number of communists in the United States which stated there were many less than the amount MOORE had contended. CHEYNEY said he had great respect for Director HOOVER and believed he knew more about this matter than MOORE did. (X)

Later during the discussion a spectator referred to CHEYNEY as a communist and CHEYNEY emphatically denied that he was one. (X)

During the discussion MOORE said that the Attorney General should see all 10,000 communists in the United States and send them without trial because they stand for some reputation to him as a member of the John Birch Society. (X)

U. S. Representative from Texas, HENRY B. GONZALES, was present briefly at the first part of this meeting but left before MOORE got into his talk very far. (X)

Optional Form No. 10
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

Date: 11/7/63

TO: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (100-7631)

FROM: SA JOHN M. KEMMY

RE: CP, USA
SOUTHERN REGION
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION
(ORGANIZATION)
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On 10/24/63, [redacted] furnished the writer an oral report which was subsequently transcribed and thereafter acknowledged by Informant on 10/30/63. This report is located in [redacted] and contains the following information:

On [redacted] and [redacted]
[redacted] and, for security purposes, left
in [redacted]
the [redacted] Through pre-arranged
plans, [redacted] there and since [redacted]
was closed, [redacted]
located about [redacted]

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1-100-7232 [redacted]
1-100-9378 [redacted]
1-100-242-Sub 2 (SECURITY MEASURES)
1-100-242-Sub 17 (EDUCATION)
1-100-242-Sub 18 (BRIEF)
1-121-788 [redacted]
1-100-8137 [redacted]
1-100-8380 [redacted]
1-100-7135 (YD)
1-100-9455 (J. BIRCH SOCIETY)
1-100-new [redacted]
1-100-new [redacted]
1-100-242-Sub 1 (MEMBERSHIP)
1-100-242-Sub 6 (POLITICAL ACTIVITIES)
1-100-7050 (FUNDS)
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The agenda was as follows: ~~(S)~~

1. Education. [redacted]

[redacted]
[redacted] and had found some important points concerning imperialism and suggested that they all study it further. [redacted] for tending to simplify the subject matter in all of

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discussion at the next meeting on the material. ~~(S)~~ (U)

[redacted] remarked that [redacted] is presently [redacted]

He further stated that [redacted]

2. Personal [redacted] reported on the recent meeting of [redacted] an individual named [redacted] ~~(S)~~ (U)

The group decided to move the meeting to the [redacted] that place where the meeting continued. ~~(S)~~ (U)

[redacted] related that [redacted]

[redacted]
[redacted] join the Communist Party. [redacted] said that thereafter he had [redacted]

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of them, to choose the one he thought best qualified to assist in this matter. ~~(S)~~ (U)

All agreed to try to go to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the recent publicity about
a hearing before the Subversive Activities Control
Board. ~~(S)~~ (U)

3. Finances. No money was exchanged.
Therefore, the balance on hand in the club treasury
was at \$32. ~~(S)~~ (U)

It was decided the next meeting would be
held on [REDACTED]. ~~(S)~~ (U)

Above concludes Informant's report. ~~(S)~~ (U)

RECOMMENDATION: Because of the information above
concerning the sympathy of [REDACTED]
it is recommended that a case be opened on each of them b6
at this time for complete investigation concerning their b7C
sympathies and beliefs about communism and concerning b7D
their activities. ~~(S)~~

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC

DATE: 1/27/64

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
KERRVILLE, TEXAS.
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On 1/27/64 Mr. [REDACTED] advised that approximately one to two weeks ago, a group of persons, approximately 75, met at the American Legion Hut, San Antonio Highway, Kerrville, to see three films on the JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY and to listen to a lecture by its organizer, FNU WELCH. He stated that he attended this meeting and from the lecture and questions discussed from the floor, it appears to him that such a group will probably be organized in Kerrville.

He said the speaker (probably WELCH) stated that a group now exists at Fredericksburg, Texas, and if it is decided to organize a group in Kerrville, that the leader of the Fredericksburg group will contact those interested and assist in the organization of the Kerrville group. Mr. [REDACTED] said he did not know the name of the leader at Fredericksburg.

He said he did not know the name of the party that initiated or headed the group that met at the American Legion Hut, but believed it was a woman who works at the Piggly Wiggly Store in Kerrville - possibly a checker or cashier. He said he also felt that probably [REDACTED] Attorney, Kerrville, Texas (residence [REDACTED] office, [REDACTED]) would be behind the meeting, since he is well-known as a "fighter against Communism". He said however that [REDACTED] was not present at the meeting, because of poor health.

He said he probably would be notified if such a group is organized in Kerrville.

(Reference is made to SA 105-2356, "MINUTEMEN" on other information furnished by [REDACTED], who is considered stable and reliable)

No further information obtained from [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

SAC, SAN ANTONIO

DATE: 5/3/64

Clerk, [redacted]

UNSUB: Book Edited by Welch, John Birch Society
Mrs. [redacted] Complainant.

At 8:25 am. this date Mrs. [redacted] telephonically advised that she had recently met an unknown woman on a train from St. Louis to San Antonio. Unsub. showed [redacted] to complainant which contained newspaper clippings of [redacted] Eisenhower and Kennedy, which according to Unsub would [redacted] Eisenhower and Kennedy were communists. Book was [redacted] entitled "America", had number "2" printed on its [redacted] plastic cover, bound by plastic [redacted] and was about 1 1/2 [redacted] thick. The book was written by [redacted] (PNU) Welch of the John Birch Society.

Unsub. and a young [redacted] man she identified as her husband came to see Mrs. [redacted] a week after arriving in San Antonio. Unsub. stated [redacted] her husband had just been released from Brook Army Medical [redacted] where he is ^{possibly} stationed and studying languages. Unsub. [redacted] she would contact Mrs. [redacted] in the near future again [redacted] a dinner date and at that time complainant will obtain [redacted] and address of Unsub. and report same to FBI office.

Unsub. was described [redacted] as 60 yrs. or older, white hair, and heavy set.

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Kenny [redacted]
Daf [redacted]

FBI

Date: 5/28/64

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)

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FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (105-2909) (P)

RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
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Security

Re Bureau airtel to Dallas and other Texas offices dated 5/22/64, containing request from the President's Commission concerning certain groups or organizations.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 3 copies of LHM captioned and dated same as instant communication, which LHM sets forth required data regarding the various Cuban groups in question. Enclosed for the Dallas office are 2 copies of the LHM.

Further enclosed for the Bureau, per Bureau instructions, are one copy each of the following documents:

- 13 ENCLOSURE
- 2-Bureau (Enc. 5) (AM RM)
 - 2-Dallas (Enc. 2) (100-104461) (AM RM)
 - 8-San Antonio (2-105-2909)
 - (1-105-2355) ("Minutemen")
 - (1-100-9455) (J. BIRCH SOCIETY)
 - (1-97-80) (FPCC)
 - (1-105-2954) (JURE)
 - (1-105-2787) (SNFE)
 - 1-97-87 (R. B. WELCH) 6/6/64

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cc - Anderson, S. C. & Klein, Kate
with 5 Bufiles
transmission sent 6/1/64

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The Pres. Comm. by letter
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Special Agent in Charge

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Re: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
SA file 100-9455
BU file 62-104401

1. Complaint form, FD 71, of SA [REDACTED] 2/28/63, captioned JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY.
2. Literature of John Birch Society.
3. Memorandum of SA JOHN M. KEMMY to SAC, San Antonio, dated 11/4/63, captioned COMINFIL - YD, IS - C.
4. Memorandum of SA JOHN M. KEMMY to SAC, San Antonio, dated 11/7/63, captioned CP, USA, SOUTHERN REGION, SAN ANTONIO DIVISION, ORGANIZATION, IS - C.
(NOTE: If information in this memorandum is disseminated the names of [REDACTED] should not be disseminated outside the Bureau.)
5. Letter dated 1/23/64 signed "A Patriotic American."
6. Newspaper advertisement concerning the John Birch Society.
7. Memorandum of SA [REDACTED] to SAC (San Antonio) dated 1/27/64 captioned JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY, KERRVILLE, TEXAS, INFORMATION CONCERNING.
8. Newspaper article from 3/27/64 evening edition of the Austin American Statesman, an Austin, Texas, newspaper.
9. Newspaper article from the 3/28/64 morning edition of the Austin American Statesman, Austin, Texas.
10. Memorandum of Clerk [REDACTED] to SAC, San Antonio, dated 5/3/64, captioned UNSUB; Book Edited by ROBERT WELCH JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY; Mrs. [REDACTED] Complainant.

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For the information of the Bureau, the following communications concerning the John Birch Society have been sent to the Bureau:

1. San Antonio LHM dated 12/20/63 captioned [REDACTED]
San Antonio airtel to the Bureau dated 12/20/63 captioned TRAVEL OF THE PRESIDENT IN THE UNITED STATES AND THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO.

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3. San Antonio LHM dated 3/30/64 captioned JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY.
4. San Antonio airtel to the Bureau dated 3/30/64 captioned JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY, INFORMATION CONCERNING (INTERNAL SECURITY).

Re: "MINUTEMEN"
SA file 105-2356
BUFILE 62-107261

1. Memorandum of SA JOHN M. KEMMY to SAC, San Antonio, dated 1/22/64.
2. Article from the 1/16/64 home edition of the San Antonio Light, a daily San Antonio newspaper.
3. Houston letter to San Antonio dated 1/29/64.
4. Memorandum of SA [] to SAC, San Antonio, dated 2/7/64.
5. Memorandum of SA [] to SAC (San Antonio) dated 2/10/64.
6. Memorandum of SA [] to SAC, San Antonio, dated 2/10/64.
7. San Antonio airtel to Houston dated 2/12/64.
8. Memorandum of SA B. E. DEFFENBAUGH, JR., to SAC, San Antonio, dated 1/31/64.
9. Memorandum of SA GEORGE W. H. CARLSON to SAC, San Antonio, dated 2/11/64.
10. Memorandum of SA [] to SAC, San Antonio, dated 2/12/64.
11. San Antonio airtel to Dallas dated 4/1/64.
12. San Antonio airtel to Kansas City dated 4/30/64.

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13. Kansas City airtel to San Antonio dated 5/7/64.

All of the above-mentioned communications concerning the "Minutemen" are captioned "MINUTEMEN," INFORMATION CONCERNING (INTERNAL SECURITY).

The following-listed communications have been sent to the Bureau and are all captioned "MINUTEMEN," INFORMATION CONCERNING (INTERNAL SECURITY):

1. Report of SA JOHN M. KEMMY dated 2/13/64 at San Antonio.
2. San Antonio airtel to Bureau dated 3/5/64.
3. Report of SA JOHN M. KEMMY dated 3/11/64 at San Antonio.
4. San Antonio airtel to the Bureau dated 5/26/64.

Re: FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE
SA file 97-80
BUFILE 97-4196

1. San Antonio letter to New York dated 2/28/64.
2. San Antonio letter to New York dated 4/20/64.

Both of the above-mentioned communications are captioned THE FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE OF THE INSTITUTE FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF INTER-AMERICAN RELATIONS, INC., aka, RA - CUBA, IS - CUBA, IS - C, IS - SWP.

It is to be noted that the data reflected in the two above-mentioned FPCC communications was not incorporated in enclosed LHM because of the nature of the information. This information did not reflect activity of the FPCC in the San Antonio Division, and, in fact, investigation of the original allegations failed to corroborate them.

Re: JUNTA REVOLUCIONARIA CUBANA
(JURE)
SA file 105-2954

SA 105-2909

1. Atlanta letter to San Juan dated 1/30/64.
2. San Antonio airtel to San Juan dated 2/12/64.

It is to be noted that San Antonio files at one time had one copy of report of SA [REDACTED] at San Juan dated 11/26/63 but this was sent to the Louisville Division on 2/12/64.

The above-mentioned communications are all captioned JUNTA REVOLUCIONARIA CUBANA, IS - CUBA, IS - RA.

Re: SECOND NATIONAL FRONT OF
ESCAMBRAY (SNFE)
(OPERATION ALPHA 66)

1. Memorandum of SA JOHN J. CREEDEN, JR., to SAC, San Antonio, dated 4/24/63.
 2. Memorandum of SA [REDACTED] to SAC, San Antonio, dated 5/6/63.
 3. Memorandum of SA BRUNO F. DREYER to SAC, San Antonio, dated 5/8/63 captioned [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
 4. Memorandum of SA [REDACTED] to SAC, San Antonio, dated 5/21/63 captioned R. B. WELCH, RA - CUBA; NEUTRALITY MATTER.
- San Antonio letter to Miami dated 5/29/63.

All of the above-mentioned communications are captioned SECOND NATIONAL FRONT OF ESCAMBRAY (OPERATION ALPHA 66), IS - CUBA, unless otherwise stated.

In view of the fact that an investigation was initiated concerning R. B. WELCH due to an allegation that he may be affiliated with Alpha 66, copies of the following serials from the San Antonio file concerning R. B. WELCH (San Antonio file 97-87) are being furnished herewith to the Bureau:

- San Antonio letter to Houston dated 7/31/63.
- Dallas letter to San Antonio dated 8/6/63.
- Dallas letter to San Antonio dated 8/12/63.
- Houston letter to San Antonio dated 9/19/63.
- San Antonio airtel to Houston dated 9/30/63.
- Houston letter to San Antonio dated 11/29/63.
7. San Antonio letter to Houston dated 11/30/63.
8. Memorandum of SA H. T. BURK to SAC, San Antonio, dated 12/13/63.
9. Houston letter to San Antonio dated 12/19/63.
10. San Antonio letter to Dallas dated 1/22/64.
- Dallas letter to San Antonio dated 2/3/64.
12. San Antonio letter to Dallas dated 2/19/64.
13. Dallas letter to San Antonio dated 3/5/64.
14. St. Louis letter to San Antonio dated 3/17/64.
15. San Antonio letter to Dallas dated 4/30/64.

It is to be noted that the San Antonio file on R. B. WELCH also contains an FBI dated 1/15/64 and the FBI Identification record dated 1/22/64. Copies of these are not being forwarded to the Bureau in instant communication.

Regarding the 30th of November Movement and the Directorio Revolucionaria Estudiantil, San Antonio files contain no information responsive to the Commission's request.

The confidential sources mentioned in attached LHM are as follows:

SA 105-2909



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

San Antonio, Texas
May 28, 1964

LEE HARVEY OSWALD

The files of the San Antonio FBI office failed to contain any information reflecting that the following groups were active in the area covered by this Division during the period January 1, 1961, to January 1, 1964:

Fair Play for Cuba Committee
Junta Revolucionaria Cubana
Directorio Revolucionario Estudiantil
30th of November Movement.

Regarding the group known as the Second National Front of Escambray (Operation Alpha 66), the following is set forth:

SA T-1 (April 23, 1963, and May 23, 1963)

[REDACTED]

He does not know of any active membership in the [REDACTED] area nor any activities on their part in [REDACTED]. SA T-1 advised that he has not been requested to collect any funds and has sent no money to Miami or any other place for the benefit of the SNFE.

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SA T-2 (April 30, 1963)

SA T-2 advised that he knew of no activity or solicitations being made for the SNFE in or about [REDACTED]. He said he knew of no individuals who might be currently involved in this group residing in this area.

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SA T-3 (May 8, 1963)

SA T-3 advised he does not know anything about the Alpha 66 other than what he has read about this organization in local newspapers.

SA T-3 advised that he does not know of any active participating members of this organization, stating he has not been contacted for any contributions or membership. SA T-3 advised he is well acquainted

[REDACTED]
or contributions.

SA T-2 (May 21, 1963)

SA T-2 advised that he knew of no person or persons in the [REDACTED] area collecting or interested in collecting for any pro-CASTRO or anti-CASTRO causes. SA T-2 recalled that an individual

[REDACTED]
work.

SA T-2 advised that he asked WELCH no questions and WELCH volunteered nothing further. SA T-2 said that he believed WELCH came to him because of his being well

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] SA T-2 could furnish nothing further in detail of the above.

GUS KRAUSE, Chief of Police, Brownsville Police Department, on May 21, 1963, said he knew of no fund raising or other activity in Brownsville on behalf of pro-CASTRO or anti-CASTRO factions at that time.

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Confidential sources have advised that they know of no branch of the SNFE operation in or around San Antonio, Texas, and none of them has been approached to make any donations toward the SNFE. All advised that the only person who maintains contact with the anti-CASTRO movement is SA T-1.

Regarding R. B. WELCH, to date no further information has been developed reflecting WELCH's possible affiliation with the Alpha 66 group.



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File No.

San Antonio, Texas
May 11, 1964

Title LEE HARVEY OSWALD

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Reference San Antonio Memorandum,
dated and captioned as above

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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MAY 20

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Mr. Hoover:

As a result of my letter of March 26, 1964 with respect to background materials on the Fair Play for Cuba Committee and certain other subversive groups, it was agreed that your Agency would await further instructions from this Commission.

The Commission would now appreciate your providing the following information on the Fair Play for Cuba Committee, "JURE", "DRE", Alpha 66, and 30th of November Movement:

1. Copies of all reports supplied from your Dallas and Fort Worth offices during the year 1963 with respect to persons believed active in those groups.

2. Summaries of activities throughout Texas of such groups with particular reference to names and places during the period January 1, 1961 to January 1, 1964.

3. A general summary of activities of such groups outside of Texas during the year 1963 with particular reference to activities in Chicago, Michigan, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Miami, New Orleans, New York, Puerto Rico and San Francisco.

The Commission would also appreciate your providing copies of all reports from your Dallas and Fort Worth offices for the year 1963 which pertain to persons believed active in the Communist Party or Socialist Workers Party.

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Finally, the Commission would like you to provide copies of all reports of investigations in Texas during 1963 arising out of activities of the John Birch Society or Minute Men or relating to members of those organizations engaged in subversive activities.

Sincerely,



J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel

5-22-64

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To: SACs, Dallas (100-10461) (Enc.)
El Paso (105-1264) (Enc.)
Houston (105-1291) (Enc.)
San Antonio (105-2909) (Enc.)

1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. Baumgardner
1 - Mr. Bland
1 - Mr. Branigan
1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Mr. Lenihan

From: Director, FBI (105-82555)

Subject: LEO HARVEY OSWALD
INTERNAL SECURITY - R - CUBA
BUDED: 6-1-64

Enclosed for each office is a copy of a letter from the President's Commission which is self-explanatory. The full names of the 3 organizations abbreviated in the second paragraph of the Commission's letter are as follows:

"JURE" - Junta Revolucionaria Cubana;
"DEE" - Directorio Revolucionaria Estudiantil;
Alpha 66 - Second National Front of Escambray (Operation Alpha 66).

In connection with the instant Commission's request, the Dallas Office should respond to items 1 and 2 and to the request in the last paragraph of page 1 and the paragraph on page 2 as outlined in the enclosure. The El Paso, Houston and San Antonio Offices should respond to item 2 and to the request in the paragraph on page 2 of the enclosure as such requests pertain to the territory covered by each office.

Item number 3 in the enclosure is being handled at SOG.

In responding to item 2 in the enclosure, each office should prepare a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination to the President's Commission setting forth data in each office's files responsive to this request.

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Airtel to Dallas, El Paso, Houston, San Antonio
Re: Lee Harvey Oswald
105-82565

In responding to the Commission's requests for copies of reports pertaining to the organizations or individuals concerned, each office should check its indices and files and furnish the Bureau a complete listing of all communications that have been forwarded to the Bureau for the period involved in order that such communications can be located in Bureau files. In addition, each office should forward to the Bureau copies of all communications in its files that are responsive to the instant request of the Commission but which are not currently in the Bureau's possession. These will include inter-office communications, memoranda to the SAC of each office, and correspondence from other agencies and the public.

This matter must be given the immediate attention of each office and data responsive to the Commission's request should reach the Bureau no later than 6-1-64 and earlier if possible.

NOTE:

The Commission by letter 5-20-64 has requested it be furnished reports and summaries of data in possession of the 4 Texas offices. These requests largely pertain to Fair Play for Cuba Committee as well as anti-Castro organizations. Commission is also interested in obtaining data re members active in the Communist Party & Socialist Workers Party in Dallas and Fort Worth along with information regarding individuals active in the John Birch Society or Minutemen in the State of Texas. Inasmuch as some of the data requested may not have been furnished to the Bureau, desirable each of the offices concerned furnish Bureau a complete accounting of all data in files of each responsive to these requests.

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Date: 5/28/64

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)

FROM: SAC, EL PASO (105-1264) (RUC)

RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
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ReBuairtel to all Texas offices dated 5/22/64.

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of a letterhead memorandum captioned as above. Enclosed for the Dallas Office is one copy of the above mentioned letterhead memorandum.

With regard to the paragraph on page 2 of the letter from the President's Commission dated 5/20/64, the El Paso Office is enclosing for the Bureau one copy each of the following communications, which pertain to the organization known as the "Minutemen":

Albuquerque airtel to El Paso 12/16/63;

Memo from SA ROY C. DAHL to SAC, El Paso 1/8/64.

The attention of the Bureau is called to the report of SA [] at El Paso dated 2/14/64 and the report of SA WILLIAM B. ANDERS at El Paso dated 3/3/64 in the case captioned "MINUTEMEN, INFORMATION CONCERNING (INTERNAL SECURITY)." There are no other communications

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in the files of the El Paso Office regarding the "Minutemen" for the year 1963.

Also enclosed for the Bureau is one copy each of the following communications which contain references to the JOHN BIRCH Society:

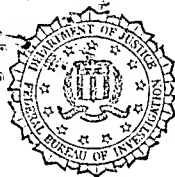
- ✓ Memo from SA WILLIAM E. ANDERS to SAC HERBERT E. HOXIE, El Paso, dated 12/3/63;
- ✓ Memo from SA ROBERT G. ABEGGLEN to SAC, El Paso dated 12/5/63;
- ✓ A newspaper article from the October 29, 1963, issue of the El Paso Herald-Post;
- ✓ A newspaper article from the October 29, 1963, issue of the El Paso Times;
- ✓ A newspaper article from the October 24, 1963, issue of the El Paso Herald-Post;
- ✓ A newspaper article from the April 21, 1963, issue of the El Paso Times;
- ✓ Letter to Mr. [redacted] dated 4/8/63;
- ✓ Letter from Mr. [redacted] dated 4/4/63 with an enclosed pamphlet entitled "New Era Book News";
- ✓ Letter from Mr. [redacted] dated 4/2/63.

For the information of the Bureau, the files of the El Paso Office contain a letter addressed to Mr. J. EDGAR HOOVER, Director, FBI, Washington, D. C., dated 10/30/63, from Mrs. [redacted]. In addition the files of the El Paso Office contain a letter from the Director to Mrs. [redacted] dated 11/6/63. There are no further communications contained in the files of the El Paso Office regarding the John Birch Society for the year 1963. No active investigation has been conducted by the El Paso Office at any time regarding the John Birch Society.

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202 U. S. Court House
El Paso, Texas 79901
May 28, 1964

LEE HARVEY OSWALD
INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA - CUBA

There has been no known activity at any time in the past on the part of the below mentioned organizations in the area covered by the El Paso Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation:

Fair Play for Cuba Committee (FPCC)
Directorio Revolucionario Estudiantil (DRE)
Junta Revolucionaria Cubana (JURE)
Second National Front of Escambray (Alpha 66)
(Operation Alpha 66)
Thirtieth of November Movement

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Memorandum

TO : Mr. Evans *[Signature]*

FROM : W. V. Cleveland *[Signature]*

SUBJECT:

DATE: 6-13-64

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[Signature] *Belmont*

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Special Investigative Division, spoke with captioned individual, who first asked to speak to the Director, at 1:20 A.M., 6-13-64.

stated he is a student at and has just read a book entitled, "Inside the John Birch Society." He said in the book several people are "called communists." He said he would like the FBI's "views on these people." He was advised that this Bureau does not make any such comments.

Bureau files contain no information identifiable with

ACTION:

For information.

- 1 - Miss Holmes
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Evans
- 1 - Mr. Stanley
- 1 - Mr. Cleveland
- 1 - Mr. Connell

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, EL PASO (100-5739)

DATE: 12/5/63

FROM : SA ROBERT G. ABEGGLEN

SUBJECT: MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION
RE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY AND
AMERICAN NAZI PARTY

On 11/22/63, [redacted]

[redacted] appeared at the El Paso Office of the FBI and advised that he has been active in the Republican Party affairs for several years, [redacted] the Young Republicans at the University of Texas in Austin, Texas and having attended several Young Republicans National Conventions. and it was his opinion that there was a conspiracy between the John Birch Society and the American Nazi Party in 1961 and early 1962 to take over control of the Republican Party and then to take over the Government of the United States by force if necessary. [redacted] stated that this "enterprise" was made up largely of retired Army personnel, but he could not furnish the identity of any of them.

[redacted] advised that he was born [redacted] at [redacted] and graduated from the [redacted] [redacted] stated that he has received extensive [redacted] and is presently receiving [redacted] [redacted] stated that he is presently unemployed, but is working on a book that he is writing.

[redacted] stated that in July or August, 1961, he witnessed a rally held in a grove of trees in Mexico across from the "Hacendia" Restaurant in which members of the John Birch Society were present, as well as persons wearing Swastika arm bands.

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[redacted] stated that in 1961 and early 1962 Mrs. [redacted] the John Birch Society in El Paso and knew of the conspiracy between the John Birch Society and the American Nazi Party.

[redacted] also advised that [redacted] of "The Investigators" in El Paso had mentioned that the American Nazi Party runs a training school in Arlington, Virginia; that three El Paso persons, names not known, had attended this school in June, 1961; that the local American Nazi Party was committed to getting restrictions on aliens holding laborer's jobs in El Paso; and that the American Nazi Party had a working agreement with four of the five leading El Paso building contractors to hire only workers approved by the American Nazi Party.

[redacted] stated that one [redacted] who was from a [redacted] and had graduated from [redacted] and who was expelled from [redacted] was a member of the John Birch Society in El Paso in 1961.

The indices on [redacted] are negative and on [redacted]

[redacted].

It is felt that this information warrants no further action at this time.

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TO : Herbert Hoxie

DATE 12-3-63

FROM : William B. Ahder

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
Information Concerning

Mr. [REDACTED] on this date advised that it would be his desire to have the FBI record the fact that he has subscribed to the "Worker", for the purpose of being informed on what the Communists are doing.

Mr. [REDACTED] advised that he is and has been a chapter leader in the John Birch Society in Midland, Texas.

He further advises that he is an attorney for the [REDACTED]
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TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: June 19, 1964

FROM : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. J.A. Sizoo
- 1 - Mr. D.E. Moore

SUBJECT:

[REDACTED]
UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

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[REDACTED] is staunch supporter of the FBI at the University of Colorado. He has defended the Bureau consistently when critical professors and students at the University have delivered attacks against us. He is a contact of the Denver Office at the University.

[REDACTED] was in town and came to see me Wednesday. I took him to luncheon and arranged a tour of the FBI. During the course of this tour, he commented most favorably on the work of the Director and the FBI. It is evident he is a very sincere supporter of our efforts.

[REDACTED] gave a lecture at the "Washington School of Anti-communism," held at the International Inn, while he was in the city. This school is connected with the Dr. Fred C. Schwartz movement. However, [REDACTED] is not in any way a political extremist. While he is definitely a conservative, he is a scholarly one and should not be identified with extremism. As a matter of fact, he was critical of such activities to me during our luncheon conversation.

[REDACTED] did have some interesting comments to make to me about Robert Welch, founder of the John Birch movement. He told me he knew Mr. Welch when he was at Harvard University and has talked to him on different occasions in some detail. He said Welch was very embittered at the death of Joseph McCarthy and blamed ex-President Eisenhower and his policy for this. Further, Welch told [REDACTED] he intended to start a movement which would result in his being elected to the U. S. Senate, where he would carry on the work of Joseph McCarthy. Following this, he would expand his activities and launch a campaign for the Presidency of the U. S. Welch said to [REDACTED] he believed the only way communism could be stopped in this country was for himself or somebody like him to be elected President of this country, and he thought he had a good chance to be elected following a Senatorial career. [REDACTED] pointed out Welch was dreaming very badly on this matter and, of course, he never did get started in this direction, meeting one rebuff after another.

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Memorandum for Mr. Belmont

RE: [redacted]

[redacted] also told me that the Press Attache of the [redacted] Embassy (there are two) whose name he did not have, has been trying to get in touch with him. [redacted] himself was born in [redacted] and is a naturalized U. S. citizen. [redacted] told me he does have this [redacted] name at home and will send it to me. He further said he will reply to this [redacted] Press Attache, who says he will be going to Colorado this summer, and will arrange to meet him and draw him out to see what it is he desires of [redacted] will then promptly advise the Bureau of what transpires.

[redacted] also asked me to extend his personal best wishes to the Director. He said he has always greatly admired Mr. Hoover and some day he hopes he will have a chance to at least shake hands with him and tell him so personally. I might add that if [redacted] had not been lecturing at the Schwartz-connected school of anticommunism, I would have sent through a memorandum suggesting the Director give consideration to shaking hands with him while he was in the city. However, because of this connection, I thought it would be well to pass over this matter at this time.

RECOMMENDATION:

For the information of the Director. ✓

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Date: July 2, 1964

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-104401)

FROM: SAC, BOSTON (100-32899)

SUBJECT: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
INFORMATION CONCERNING
INTERNAL SECURITY

[redacted] Massachusetts State Police advised 7/2/64, that the "New England Rally for God and Country" is to be held 7/4 - 5/64, at the Hotel Statler-Hilton, Boston.

Rally is a joint effort of the JOHN BIRCH Society and Young Americans for Freedom. DAN SMOOT, former agent, scheduled to speak at the rally.

[redacted] expects that this "right-wing rally" will be picketed by NAACP, CORE and Renaissance Club.

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